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To: The Montana Legislature

RE: HOUSE BILL NO. 601

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT LIMITING THE USE OF A CONSUMER

REPORT FOR EMPLOYMENT PURPOSES; PROVIDING A FINE FOR MISUSE;

AND AMENDING SECTIONS 31-3-102, 31-3-111, 31-3-131, AND 31-3-153, MCA."

An employer's ability to use a credit report when hiring should be limited only to those positions with a fiduciary responsibility in the company. I strongly oppose the use of one's personal credit report to judge a person's credibility to perform - as those of us who know - credit companies are NOT a reliable source of accurate information. Having owned a Credit Reporting Agency for many years, I know this to be very true.

Respectfully,

Ms. Madonna

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